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FIRST DISTRICT

The First District has developed comprehensive programs to address both traffic and crime. One example in the area of crime is the First District cold case homicide teams, operated in conjunction with local departments. Seven homicide cases across the district were revived. Two of the seven were closed with convictions; two cases are still open with suspects charged pending trial; and investigation continues in three cases. In addition to the cold case homicide teams, interdepartmental major case teams were assembled to work on various felony crimes in three counties.

In the area of traffic, the First District continues to run the CITE (Criminal Interdiction Traffic Enforcement) Team. The CITE Team is comprised of four troopers from different posts who target certain areas with dedicated patrols.

A trooper from the Brighton Post was dispatched to a residence in Tyrone Township on a possible homicide investigation. Upon the trooper's arrival, he spoke with the parents of the homicide victim and was informed of a possible suspect. The investigation revealed that the victim's girlfriend and seven-year old son were abducted by the suspect. The suspect was identified as the estranged husband of the victim's girlfriend. This was the first activation of the Livingston County Major Crimes Task Force. Within 12 hours of the trooper's arrival at the scene, the suspect was arrested with assistance of troopers from the Flint Post. The mother and her son were located unharmed. The suspect was bound over to Circuit Court on Open Murder, Felony Murder, Home Invasion, Felony Firearm, and two counts of Attempted Murder.

There is a large volume of residential construction occurring in Livingston County. During the early part of the year 2000, several new building sites were victimized in Breaking and Enterings with larceny of the building materials, including appliances, cabinets, flooring and doors. Troopers immediately began searching for the suspects. When a citizen reported a B & E in progress, troopers responded and a suspect vehicle was located. The suspects had fled on foot, but one left his wallet in the vehicle. This led to the identification of a key suspect. Subsequent search warrants were obtained and thousands of dollars of stolen property was recovered. In checking the recovered property, at least 14 B & Es were identified in new subdivisions in Wayne, Oakland, Washtenaw, and Livingston counties. The suspect was a landscape contractor working in these subdivisions by day and committing the crimes at night. The suspect has court cases pending in the above counties.

The Owosso Post celebrated its 30th Anniversary in September 2000 with an open house that was attended by 300-400 citizens.



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The post is active in crime and traffic safety, as evidenced by the following patrol arrest. On September 9, 2000, a trooper from the Owosso Post seized 40 pounds of marijuana originating from a traffic stop of a pick-up truck on I-69 in Shiawassee County. The 1997 Ford Pickup was seized and forfeited. The lone male driver, traveling from Lansing to Flint, was arrested and charged with Possession with Intent to Deliver Marijuana.



The State Capitol Post has the responsibilities of providing security, crime prevention, and emergency response, as well as limited law enforcement/investigation resources for the Lansing area Capitol Complex. The goal of the post is to provide a strong deterrent to criminal activity through high visibility patrol functions.

Close analysis of crime patterns in the Capitol Complex revealed that many of the crimes investigated are committed by persons walking into unsecured areas of state facilities and stealing personal and/or state property from unoccupied cubicles and offices or off the loading docks. In response to this, the State Capitol Post is working with DMB facilities managers to contact state directors and their staff in order to identify specific problem areas and security weaknesses. Surveillance cameras are placed in areas where larcenies are occurring.

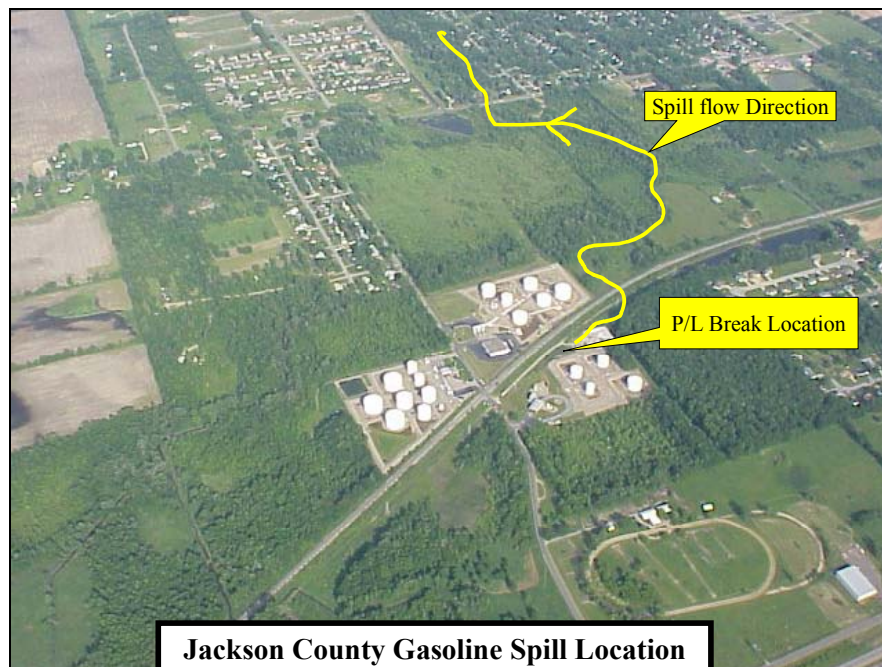
On March 30, 2000, a Jackson Post trooper stopped a semi-truck for speeding on I-94 in Jackson County. After interviewing the driver, a probable cause search of the trailer was conducted. Two suitcases were located in the trailer, which contained over \$724,000 in cash. The 1991 Peterbuilt, trailer, and over \$747,000 in cash were forfeited to the State of Michigan.

On June 7, 2000, an underground gasoline pipeline ruptured in Jackson County spilling approximately 74,000 gallons of gasoline. The break was located next to an above ground gasoline storage facility with a capacity of 22,700,000 gallons. The Incident Command System was utilized to organize and control the multi-agency response.



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Paramount to the success of the plan was the inter-agency cooperation, which required the seamless handing off and receiving of responsibilities between the Blackman Township Department of Public Safety, the Jackson County Sheriff's Department, and the Michigan State Police. In total, approximately 40 local, state, and federal officers and private contractors worked together to respond, contain, and clean up this hazardous gasoline spill.



The Michigan State Police Adrian Post continues to be a leader of law enforcement in Lenawee County. The post plans and organizes innovative approaches to both traffic enforcement and criminal activity in the county.

During the past year, the post effectively initiated traffic enforcement cooperative programs on area roads in an effort to reduce crashes and save lives. The post conducted a telephone survey in 1998 in which traffic problem areas were documented. This allowed the post to strategize with regard to the application of resources. This action plan was termed "Project S.T.O.R.M." (Strategic Traffic Operation and Roads Management).

Over the past year, 12 of these major cooperative efforts have effectively reduced crashes and violations in Lenawee County. In September, the Adrian Post organized a statewide effort on US-12 targeting aggressive driving. Twenty-four agencies participated across the state, resulting in 445 traffic stops, 256 verbal warnings, 115 speeding violations, 135 hazardous violations, 78 non-hazardous violations, 9 criminal arrests, and 2 OUIL arrests.



Adrian Post



SECOND DISTRICT

The Metro North Post initiated Operation I.M.P.A.C.T.S. (Intense Mobilized Patrol Against Car and Truck Speeders), which involved a cooperative enforcement effort between troopers and Motor Carrier officers. It involved strict, zero-tolerance enforcement of commercial vehicle speeding and lane use violations. Surveys were conducted, and they determined that numerous rear-end type traffic crashes were occurring due largely to commercial vehicles illegally travelling in the third and fourth lanes of I-696. Commercial vehicles were slowing the traffic flow, causing back-ups and sudden stops by trailing vehicles. This resulted in an increased number of rear-end crashes. During the course of this initiative operation, not a single traffic crash occurred. Additionally, very positive support was received from the public and media.



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During 2000, the Second District Regional Dispatch helped to support multiple local, county, and federal agencies during numerous presidential motorcades in the Detroit metropolitan area.

During the week of December 11, two major snowstorms struck southeastern Michigan. Dispatchers fielded thousands of calls for assistance during this time. With increased cellular phone use, wireless 9-1-1-call volume to the center increased to 92,000 per month during 2000.

The Richmond Post secured the placement of highly visible signs along M-59 in Macomb County, advertising the cooperative nature of traffic enforcement efforts conducted there. These signs read “Patrolled by Macomb County Traffic Enforcement Team” and have the logos of the sheriff, M.S.P., and the local jurisdiction where the sign is located. This project was approved and funded by M.D.O.T. They provided the signs, while the Macomb County Road Commission provided the installation. Five signs were erected along M-59 between Mound Road and I-94 in December 2000.



Because the Richmond Post handled roughly 8,000 complaints during 2000, and approximately 25 percent of these originated in the three large mobile home communities, a bicycle patrol initiative was put together. With over 2,000 incidents requiring a police response, these mobile home communities clearly demonstrated a need for more community-



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oriented policing. Therefore, the Richmond Post initiated random bicycle patrols within these mobile home parks to establish a closer rapport with the residents and to provide troopers with an “up close” opportunity to view criminal activity. Two bicycles, along with all the associated equipment, were purchased.

Troopers worked through July and August, providing police coverage at the mobile home parks, special events, and festivals. To date, a total of 161 hours have been spent on bicycle patrol.



The Metro South Post, in conjunction with the Taylor Police Department and D.R.A.N.O. of S.E.C.I.D., coordinated and conducted a Fugitive and Sex Offender Sweep on November 17 and November 18, 2000. Troopers from the Metro South Post made checks of 215 addresses where registered sex offenders were alleged to be residing. This investigation resulted in the issuing of 12 misdemeanor warrants for failure to register as a sex offender/change address and 17 felony warrants for failure to comply with reporting as a sex offender. Twenty-seven



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individuals complied with the sex offender reporting requirements as a result of the police contact made at their residences.

This sweep resulted in 9 misdemeanor, 23 felony, and 7 sex offender arrests. Charges included: habitual offender, felony assault on a police officer, delivery of narcotics, carrying a concealed weapon, felony possession of a firearm, and other felony charges.

The Ypsilanti Post investigated an extortion complaint in Scio Township, where a male subject ran up a \$4,000 drug debt which he could not pay. The drug dealer warned the male subject that he either pay his debt or he would suffer physical harm. The dealer escorted the man to his home in an attempt to get money. The man's family had previously refused to pay his debt, so the man went to his neighbors' to request a "loan."

The neighbors agreed to the loan and were accompanied to their bank by the man and his dealer. The neighbors turned over \$4,000 to the drug dealer, who then left the area. An area broadcast was put out for the drug dealer. Troopers from Metro South located the drug dealer driving on I-94, then stopped and arrested the dealer and two companions.

The dealer confessed to the extortion, and \$3,896 of the \$4,000 was recovered.

A Groveland Team detective was involved in a lengthy investigation involving a theft ring that encompassed Oakland, Macomb, Sanilac, Genessee, Washtenaw, Huron, Isabella, Lapeer, Saginaw, Ogemaw, St. Clair, and Wayne counties. By the end of this lengthy investigation, over a half-million dollars in stolen equipment had been recovered in Oakland and Macomb counties. This investigation started with a tip that led to a confirmed stolen trailer out of Macomb County. Four locations were identified in Oakland County, which were being used to store stolen property, mainly tractors—John Deere, Kubota, and other various lawn and garden tractors. Suspects have been identified and all information has been forwarded to the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office, pending warrants.

A Monroe Post detective investigated a double homicide, where the bodies of two prostitutes from Ohio were found buried in Monroe County. The victims were thought to have been kidnapped from the Toledo area and transported to Michigan, where the two suspects then killed and buried them in Monroe County.

One defendant was sentenced in Michigan to 10 to 15 years. In Ohio, he was sentenced to life, plus eight years. The second defendant was sentenced to 57 years in Michigan and still pends sentencing in Ohio.

The Detroit Post investigated and arrested two subjects for impersonating members of the Michigan State Police, the Detroit Police Department, and the Detroit Fire Department.



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On Thursday, August 24, 2000, one of the suspects was arrested after attempting to get a donation from a local business. The storeowner called 9-1-1. Detroit P.D. officers arrived at the location and detained the suspect until troopers from the Detroit Post arrived. Two Detroit Post troopers responded and subsequently recovered a reproduced document that the suspect had given to the storeowner. The document was half the size of a standard sheet of paper; it was blue in color and had the name "Michigan State Police" as its letterhead, along with the phone number to the Detroit Post. Troopers placed the suspect under arrest.

Using information obtained from the suspect, search warrants were obtained for the residences of the suspect and an additional suspect. Execution of those search warrants revealed several documents reproduced with the above listed agency information, several business cards with business names, contacts made to those businesses, and documentation of the amount of funds received.

While executing the search warrants, another suspect was arrested and transported to the post where he gave a complete confession of his involvement and the involvement of the other suspect in the above listed criminal activity. It is estimated that several thousands of dollars were obtained illegally by the two suspects.

Troopers from the Detroit Post participated in an operation designed to impact organized drag racing in the city of Detroit. Officers from the Detroit Police Department, Wayne County Sheriff's Department, and Michigan State Police converged on the service drives of I-75, between Clay and Holbrook, where illegal drag racing was taking place.

This operation resulted in the following activity:

- 260 arrests for disorderly persons (spectators at a drag racing event)
- 13 arrests for illegal drag racing
- 2 arrests for possession of a stolen motor vehicle
- 1 arrest on a warrant for criminal sexual conduct (felony)
- 9 juveniles detained as spectators
- 13 vehicles were seized, 4 were returned and 9 are pending permanent forfeiture under a new Wayne County Ordinance passed to impact illegal racing
- 1 stolen vehicle recovered
- 2 stolen engines recovered



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Tpr. Fred Hardy was killed on November 6, 1999, by a hit and run driver. The driver was charged with Manslaughter with a Motor Vehicle, Fail to Stop at a Scene of an Accident Causing Death, and Driving While License Suspended. He pled guilty to O.U.I.L. Causing Death and Leaving the Scene of an Accident Causing Death. He was sentenced on September 8, 2000, to 3 to 15 years for the O.U.I.L. Causing Death and 3 to 5 years for Leaving the Scene of an Accident Causing Death.

THIRD DISTRICT

A Bay City post detective solved two criminal sexual conduct investigations, which involved sexual predators of children in multi-state violations. Extraordinary coordination with local and state law enforcement agencies, prosecutors, and child welfare agencies resulted in the capture and prosecution of individuals identified as sexual predators of children.

Troopers of the East Tawas Post were dispatched to the scene of a home invasion that occurred while the homeowners were at work. A safe containing jewelry, U.S. Savings Bonds, passports, and approximately \$50,000 in cash was taken in the break-in. The troopers observed vehicle tracks and footwear impressions in the snow and requested an evidence technician to process the scene. Investigators learned of similar break-ins occurring in the City of West Branch and Saginaw Township. Photographs of footwear impressions of the East Tawas and West Branch scenes were compared and matched. Collaboration between troopers at the East Tawas, West Branch, and Cadillac posts, Southfield and West Branch police departments, the Ogemaw County Sheriff Department, and members of the CID-NET unit resulted in the apprehension and confessions of two suspects. Search warrants obtained led to the recovery of some of the stolen property in the East Tawas and West Branch investigations.

A trooper at the Bad Axe post was dispatched to an MDOP of a summer cottage on December 25, 2000. The footprint impressions found in snow led to a subject hiding in a pump shack. The suspect was arrested and lodged in the Huron County Jail. The investigation continues in an attempt to connect the subject with approximately 15 unsolved B&Es of empty cottages.

Troopers of the Sandusky Post were attempting to arrest a subject on a warrant for aggravated stalking. The subject refused to come out of his residence, at which time telephone contact was made. The subject threatened to shoot officers and began firing a semi-automatic rifle at various locations, striking a state patrol unit. The Emergency Support Team responded and began negotiations. The subject again opened fire on a patrol unit during the negotiations. The Emergency Support Team responded by firing several gas rounds into the residence. The suspect surrendered to officers, and several weapons were confiscated from the residence. No injuries were sustained due to the quick thinking and excellent work of the officers involved.



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Grand Blanc Township Police Department responded to an armed robbery at a 7-11 store on March 29, 2000, at 11:17 p.m. The store clerk had been sexually assaulted, stabbed, robbed, and her vehicle stolen by the suspect. Genesee Central Dispatch put out a BOL for the vehicle and suspect. Troopers from the Flint Post spotted the vehicle and attempted a stop. The vehicle fled into the City of Flint, traveling at high rates of speed and forcing several motorists off the roadway after driving head on toward them. The troopers coordinated a chase with two other Flint Post troopers, resulting in the suspect vehicle crashing head on into the state police cruiser at a high rate of speed, injuring both troopers. The suspect fled on foot, at which time the injured troopers managed to exit the damaged cruiser and chase the fleeing suspect and arrest him. The stolen U.S. currency and knife used in the assault were recovered from the floorboard of the victim's stolen vehicle. The suspect and evidence were turned over to the Grand Blanc Township Police Department for prosecution.

Troopers at the West Branch Post were performing a property inspection of an interstate rest area when they observed a vehicle with an Illinois registration plate. A LEIN/SOS query of the vehicle revealed that Illinois authorities held a two-count felony warrant for murder on the registered owner. With assistance from additional troopers, the owner/occupant of the vehicle was taken into custody and identified as an Illinois corrections officer accused of killing his girlfriend and her boyfriend. The subject was turned over to Kankakee County authorities.

The Bridgeport Post collaborated with other Saginaw County law enforcement agencies to form a consortium to accomplish complete integration of the criminal justice system within Saginaw County. The consortium was successful in securing state and federal grant funds totaling more than \$3.2 million. The funding secured state of the art technology, integrating all components of the criminal justice system in Saginaw County. Every patrol car and each agency in Saginaw County are linked via mobile data computers. Information is shared through the Automated Incident Capture System, which will be in use by all 18 police jurisdictions. The use of AICS by all agencies ensures complete MICR compliance in the county. Paperless warrants and citations, as well as electronic disposition report, LEIN and NCIC are being accomplished through this initiative. Integration to this extent is the first of its kind in Michigan and illustrates the department's firm commitment to cooperative law enforcement.

Troopers from the Lapeer Post investigated several Blue Cross/Blue Shield insurance fraud investigations, totaling \$750,000. The investigation resulted in the arrest of the owner/manager of a local clinic.

Troopers from the Lapeer Post investigated the sexual assault of seven victims. The investigation concluded with the arrest of a Marine recruiter, known to be a serial criminal sexual offender.



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A new Caro Post facility was opened in August 2000, replacing the rented building that had been central to MSP operations in Tuscola County since 1974. Col. Michael Robinson hosted a grand opening celebration on October 6, 2000, offering tours and refreshments to over 1000 visitors. The new 7,500 square foot structure is a prototype of future construction projects to replace existing posts of a like size.

FIFTH DISTRICT

Probably the most high profile investigative unit in the Fifth District during 2000 was the Cold Case Team Pilot Project. This team, staffed by various troopers and one post detective, worked under the supervisory umbrella of Fifth District Headquarters and the District D/Lieutenant. Four complex, unsolved homicides dating from 1986 to the mid-1990's were completely re-investigated. All four were solved. Arrests have been made on three of the cases and the fourth is pending. The investigative techniques and strategies employed to resolve these cases proved to be the key to the team's success. One body was exhumed and re-autopsied (original cause of death had been listed as accidental). One body (subject listed as missing since 1987) was located and excavated from a make-shift grave deep within the Allegan Forest. Investigators utilized the Investigative Subpoena process in all four cases, as the investigations revealed multiple killers were involved in each. Confessions were obtained in two of the cases, and a partial admission in another.

At approximately 11:56 a.m. on Saturday, May 6, 2000, Tpr. Rick Lee Johnson from the Paw Paw Post died as a result of injuries sustained when he was struck by a vehicle while conducting a routine traffic stop on Interstate-94 in Van Buren County. After making contact with the occupants, Trooper Johnson started to return to his Chevrolet Tahoe patrol vehicle. As Trooper Johnson was walking between the patrol vehicle and the vehicle he had stopped, a third vehicle drove off the roadway and struck the rear of his patrol unit. The impact of the collision pinned Trooper Johnson between the two vehicles and then trapped him underneath his patrol unit. Trooper Johnson was extricated and treated at the scene by emergency personnel, then flown by Air Care to Bronson Hospital in the City of Kalamazoo. Shortly after arrival at the hospital, Trooper Johnson was pronounced dead due to injuries sustained in the crash.

The Wayland Post implemented a program to verify the whereabouts of each registered sex offender in their post area in January 2000. Each sex offender who is required to be registered and currently resides or has resided in the post area is checked to verify they are meeting their obligation of registering and changing their address as required by law. To kick off this process, a news release was issued instructing those living within Allegan County of their responsibilities and that the Michigan State Police were aggressively checking each offender at a minimum of once per year. The verification process has been in



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effect for a year with results of 14 arrests for violations of the sex offender registration statute and 22 open investigations with 35 outstanding warrants. Talks are underway with the Allegan County Sheriff Department, which is interested in implementing a similar program countywide.

The South Haven and Wayland posts have partnered with other law enforcement and community public service agencies to form the Allegan County Alliance for Safer Communities. This partnership was formed to promote safer communities for the citizens of Allegan County through cooperative efforts of private business, criminal justice, school, and other public service agencies. Community surveys on issues important to Allegan County residents and elected officials have identified key issues such as substance abuse, alcohol related traffic violations, domestic violence, and violations of the law by juveniles. The overall goal of the Alliance is to have a positive impact on the quality of life in Allegan County by public and private entities working together.

Personnel from the Hastings Post investigated and solved the arson of two Barry County homes. The arsons received national press coverage and came under scrutiny from the United States Justice Department as they were made to appear as if they were racially motivated hate crimes. Three suspects were implicated and arrested, and the true motive was determined to be insurance fraud.

Funding for a “criminal justice center” in southern Berrien County was acquired in 2000 in the amount of \$6.5 million. The center will house any or a combination of Berrien County Sheriff Department, Niles Police Department, and the Niles State Police Post. In addition to offices for the various departments, the center will include a training facility, jail space, central evidence and record keeping, technology to allow video arraignments, and the county’s only polygraph system.

Detective sergeants from the Bridgman and Reed City posts solved a 1979 investigation involving a missing female from the Luther area. Over the last several years, these two detectives continued to interview possible witnesses and developed leads both in Michigan and Oregon. A murder warrant was obtained for the ex-boyfriend who was living in Oregon. The subject has been arrested and is being brought back to Michigan for trial.

An informant of a Coldwater Post Motor Carrier officer gave information of a large marijuana grow operation in southern Branch County. This information was passed on to the troopers, detective/sergeant, and SWET. Because of the size of the grow operation and its close proximity to the state line, DEA was called in to assist with the investigation. A DEA airplane and a National Guard helicopter were used to spot the area from the air. Over 1,600 plants were seized, and the case was turned over to DEA for federal charges and further investigation. The plants were being cultivated in corn fields and were tied to corn stalks in such a manner that allowed them to grow but not pass the height of the corn. As the marijuana stalk grew taller, they were bent over and tied to more corn stalks that made them grow sideways. The marijuana plants were in the rows and not in the areas between the



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rows. This made it extremely difficult to spot from the air. The street value placed on the confiscated plants equated to over \$1.6 million.

SIXTH DISTRICT

In 2000 the Mt. Pleasant Post established a satellite office in the Village of Farwell in southern Clare County. The office site, at the Village offices, was chosen after meetings were held with village and township officials and the Clare County Sheriff's Department to determine the need for expanded state police services and where that office would best be located. The establishment of the Farwell office has enabled the Mt. Pleasant Post to deploy troopers more effectively in Clare County. Since the Farwell office opened, complaint investigations have increased 83%, arrests increased 44%, and traffic arrests in Clare County increased 130%.

In April 2000 an alert off-duty dispatcher from the Rockford Regional Dispatch Center noticed a suspicious vehicle with two occupants. The dispatcher knew that over the past several weeks there had been many daytime breaking and enterings in Kent, Newaygo, and Montcalm counties. The dispatcher was able to get the registration number from the vehicle and call for assistance. A Motor Carrier officer heard the broadcast BOL, located the vehicle, and stopped it after backup troopers arrived. The resulting investigation by the Michigan State Police and sheriff departments from Kent, Newaygo, and Montcalm counties solved dozens of daytime breaking and enterings.

SEVENTH DISTRICT

Two pieces of electronic equipment used on a regular basis for traffic crash reconstruction are being used in tandem to provide a solid foundation for opinions drawn and presented during trial. The SOKKIA – Total Station, a combination electronic distance-measuring instrument (EDMI) and theodolite (vertical and horizontal angle recorder) are utilized along with a computer aided drawing program (AutoCad). Together they provide accurate representations of traffic crash and crime scenes, giving both judges and jury a visual perspective of how things were oriented at the time emergency personnel arrived at the scene.

A credit union in northern Michigan was robbed in February. This was the second such robbery in less than four months. A lone female entered the credit union, threatened the tellers with a handgun, and stole over \$9,000 in cash. The female suspect fled the area in a pickup truck driven by a male suspect. Gaylord Post troopers spotted the suspects. After a short chase, the two suspects were apprehended. Both suspects were convicted for



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armed robbery. The first robbery was also solved as the individuals arrested for the February robbery matched the description of the suspects wanted for the December robbery. Their admissions solved the first robbery and put closure to both investigations.

Continued investigation into a 1994 murder has led to the arrest of the primary suspect. Over the past seven years, no physical evidence has been obtained that would tie the suspect to the murder. However, the circumstantial evidence has developed over the years to the point that the Otsego County Prosecutor authorized a warrant for open murder. This is a joint investigation with Traverse City Police Department and the MSP in Traverse City and Gaylord.

A second case under the RICO act has developed in northern Michigan involving a trucking company with 13 tractor-trailers and 23 employees. This case involves allegation of insurance fraud with several insurance companies, improper payments to employees, and several charges for tax evasion. Investigators from the Petoskey Post have documented over 226 counts of false pretenses. The owners have been arrested and the company's assets seized, pending formal court forfeiture.

EIGHTH DISTRICT

In preparation for extensive renovation of the Eighth District Regional Dispatch Center, the Eighth District Headquarters was relocated to Marquette City. The Negaunee Post previously housed both District Headquarters and the District Regional Dispatch Center, which will be receiving new, high tech, and state of the art communications equipment in 2001. In early March, a search for a new facility for District Headquarters was held in Marquette County. By summer, a facility was identified in the City of Marquette and renovations were initiated. In early December, a new 7,500 square foot District headquarters was officially opened.

The Iron Mountain Post committed to reduce traffic fatalities in the year 2000 by actively participating in the Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP) campaigns. The post started this initiative with Wave III of Operation ABC in February 2000. A ride-along program (that included the prosecuting attorney, local radio and television stations) helped promote renewed interest for child restraint safety and educating the public on Michigan's new safety belt law.



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A community involvement program was initiated with a media blitz in early spring. Two crash dummies were obtained from OHSP, and public appearances were scheduled at all local law enforcement agencies in the community and surrounding area.



The November 20-26, 2000, "Click it or Ticket" initiative started the Thanksgiving Holiday season with continued special traffic enforcement. Dickinson County experienced a fatality free Thanksgiving holiday. The National Holiday Lifesavers weekend December 15-17, 2000, concluded the traffic year with the Michigan State Police, Dickinson County Law Enforcement, and Florence County, Wisconsin participating. The SADD Chapter from Norway High School participated in a photo shoot, and Channel 6 News Extra reminded motorists to drive with their lights on for safety. A severely crashed vehicle was displayed at the Iron Mountain Post bearing a banner of "You Drink and Drive, You Lose."



The Iron Mountain Post was recognized at the OHSP 2000 Traffic Safety Honors and recognition luncheon with a plaque presented to the post for the "BEST COMMUNITY PROGRAM."



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The year 2000 saw one of the last counties in Michigan without 911 adopt a 911 plan. Ontonagon County adopted and implemented a 911 plan, identifying Negaunee Regional Dispatch as their dispatching center.

Also during 2000, a cooperative effort with the Lac Vieux Tribal Police provided office space for the Wakefield Post troopers at the Watersmeet Tribal Center/Lac Vieux Tribal Police Department. The advantage of this joint venture enables troopers to access and utilize office space in a remote portion of the post area. This new office provides enhanced features, such as a data master infrared breath testing instrument, conference rooms, telephones, and state of the art mapping of federal forest areas.

During the winter of 1999 – 2000, the Newberry Post area experienced an extraordinary number of fatal crashes involving snowmobiles. In an effort to bring attention to this local issue, the post constructed a display booth containing a damaged snowmobile from a local crash illuminated and in a fully enclosed gazebo. Safety information and don't drink and ride banners were prominently displayed at the booth. This display was strategically placed at a common trailhead just north of Newberry where several hundred snowmobiles gather at any given time during the winter.

During 2000, Newberry Post personnel sponsored the "MSP Newberry Bantams hockey team." This community involvement underscores the excellent relationship the post has established in the local community. This team provided numerous opportunities for positive contact with local area youth and families. The team went on to win the Upper Peninsula bantams championship.



Shown in the above photograph are members of the Munising City Police Department, Alger County Sheriff's Department, Corrections Officers from Alger Max Prison, Munising High School staff, the Alger County Prosecutor, local ambulance and fire department officials, and



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troopers from the Munising Post. The above individuals joined together to form a hockey team to play in a benefit game, challenging students from the Munising High School. This fund raising hockey game proved to be very successful, generating in excess of \$3,200 in donations for improvements to the local high school football field, along with raising needed revenues for the community junior hockey program in Munising. This one time effort has since evolved into an annual community event.

SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Aviation Section

During 2000, the Aviation Section flew a total of 1377.9 air hours, 599.9 in helicopters and 778 in fixed wing aircraft. A total of 716 missions were flown, 338 in helicopters and 378 in fixed wing aircraft. Missions included those supporting the HEMP (Help Eliminate Marijuana Planting) program; searches for lost and missing children and adults; assistance in various types of criminal investigations; and conducting administrative transport missions.

The MAC (Michigan Aviation Cooperative) continues to coordinate aviation resources in support of HEMP and other counter-drug operations. MAC has proven to be a viable force in providing aviation support to local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies within the State of Michigan. In 2000, 177 MAC missions were completed supporting numerous law enforcement agencies throughout the state.

Traffic Services Section

Alcohol Enforcement Unit

Breath alcohol testing is the primary means of obtaining evidence to remove intoxicated drivers from our highways. This unit coordinates the certification, maintenance, and repair of all evidential breath alcohol test instruments in the state. The unit also provides clerical record management, program policy development, promulgation of administrative rules, and research into new technologies.

There are currently 248 DataMasters installed statewide. The grant process to provide Preliminary Breath Testers (PBTs) at no cost to all Michigan law enforcement agencies continued in 2000 with 1,411 requests received and 830 PBTs awarded.

The OUIL/OUID Reimbursement Fund was developed during 2000. Some courts are ordering reimbursement to the department. Over \$7,000 has been collected since the start of the reimbursement fund.



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Traffic Crash Reconstruction Unit

Traffic Crash Reconstruction specialists conducted approximately 298 investigations, a 23.6 percent increase over 1999. Field reconstructionists mapped 22 crime scenes for the crime lab using total station technology, a 100 percent increase over 1999. Forensic animation has continued to grow. Sergeant Beach has completed more than 56 animations since October 1995; approximately 28 have been viewed in court, with approximately 35 convictions. Sergeant Beach has assisted law enforcement agencies in North Carolina, Wisconsin, Ohio, and Tennessee. Reconstructionists provided At-Scene Traffic Crash Investigation training, conducting two of the two-week schools during the year 2000 that trained 54 troopers and local officers from grants provided by the Michigan Justice Training Commission.

Field Support Unit

Don't Wreck Your Life!

Six years after its inception, this statewide traffic safety campaign continues to impact young Michigan drivers. Billboard posters are displayed along Michigan highways throughout the state, and commercials are sponsored by local businesses in a number of Michigan communities. In addition, this program continues to be used in the second segment of the driver education curriculum.

Michigan's Operation ABC

In 1998 the Air Bag & Seat Belt Safety Campaign, a private coalition of concerned industry and safety organizations, awarded Michigan a grant of \$390,000 to increase child restraint use. A subsequent grant was written and approved to extend this ABC effort and will provide funding for MSP overtime to work during national ABC enforcement waves for the upcoming year.

In October 2000, two four-day NHTSA Standardized Child Passenger Safety Certification courses were hosted and organized by the Traffic Services Section using funding provided by the ABC Campaign.

Special Programs Unit

Construction/Work Zone Safety

The year 2000 marked the third year the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the Michigan Department of State Police joined efforts in a construction zone enforcement expanded pilot project. All seven MDOT regions participated in the program (Metro Region, University Region, Southwest Region, Bay Region, Grand Region, North Region, and Superior Region).



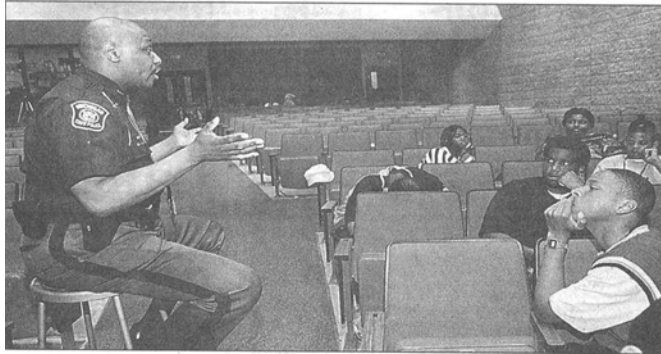
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Statewide Crash Statistics and Evaluation

Traffic Services continued to assist posts and districts in identifying high-crash areas and develop traffic enforcement plans. Current holiday traffic crash information is posted on the Internet at: <http://www.msp.state.mi.us/division/tss/Holiday%20Summary.pdf>.

Prevention Services Section

T.E.A.M. Training



TROOPERS TEAMING UP WITH YOUTH

In May, 15 Michigan State Police Post Community Service Officers (PCSOs) demonstrated an innovative problem-oriented policing strategy in an effort to reach out to vulnerable youth in Benton Harbor. A two-day T.E.A.M. School Liaison training focused on how students might understand the consequences for unlawful behavior. More than 4,200 students participated in this event.

Internet Crime Prevention



Michigan was one of ten nationwide recipients receiving a grant from the United States Department of Justice to help fight Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC). A prevention awareness campaign included billboards: "DO YOU KNOW WHO YOUR KIDS ARE



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TALKING TO?" Safety mouse pads were provided to 3,700 public schools for their library or computer center, 200,000 bookmarks were mailed to Michigan public libraries, and brochures were created for public education.

Domestic Violence



To bring more public awareness to the crime of domestic violence, a statewide billboard campaign urged people to become involved.

In addition, more than 100 Nikon Coolpix 950 digital cameras were purchased to assist state and local police officers with domestic violence investigations and training specific for evidence based prosecution.

Michigan's Missing Children Information Clearinghouse



Michigan's Missing Children Information Clearinghouse is dedicated to assisting law enforcement in the search for missing children. In 2000, the Clearinghouse activated the



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TRAK (Technology to Recover Abducted Kids) system ten times, resulting in six recoveries. There were 961 tips received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, 775 of these tips being forwarded on to local law enforcement for follow-up investigation. The partnership with the United States Postal Service through the "Eagle Eye/Child Net" program was activated on three different occasions; in each of these incidents the child was recovered.

Operations Section

The Operations Section staffs and supervises the Michigan State Police Operations Center, the department's 24-hour a day communication and control center, and the First District Regional Dispatch Center. Section personnel coordinate statewide state police activities and the department's response to a wide variety of requests for information and for public safety services.

The Operations Center was instrumental in effecting a statewide language translation service in 2000. Recognizing the communication needs of an ever more diverse culture, a member of the Operations Center staff researched available translation services and was successful in establishing a working agreement with a company specializing in the language translation needs of law enforcement. All seven MSP regional dispatch centers have the capability to connect field users to a translator as needed.

The Operations Section provides access for all Michigan law enforcement agencies to the Secretary of State Digital Image database. The Secretary of State authorized the installation (the first in a law enforcement agency) of the terminal and designated the Michigan State Police as the lead agency in defining the use of digital images of Michigan drivers for law enforcement purposes. Upon receiving a request for a digital image, the request is logged, and the image is retrieved and immediately faxed to the requesting department. In addition, a more detailed, full-color image is mailed to the investigator. Over 16,500 requests for images were received in 2000. The Operations Center staff played an integral role in assisting the Criminal Justice Data Center in working to revise the image system. It is anticipated that in early 2001 there will be multiple web based SOS image terminals in selected law enforcement agencies across the state.

Field Support Section

The Field Support Section consists of the Underwater Recovery Unit, Emergency Support Team, Canine Unit, and the mobile command vehicle. This section provides specialized services for all public safety in the state.



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Mobile Command Vehicle

The section maintains and schedules the mobile command vehicle for a new dimension in providing support for improved public safety in Michigan. The unit provides mobile command ability and technology necessary to effectively manage any emergency situation that may be encountered.



Underwater Recovery Unit

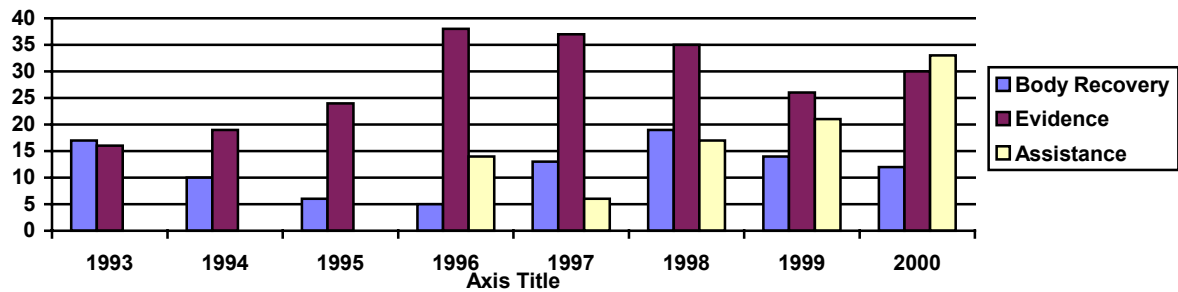


This unit provides diving expertise for the department, most generally in the areas of body recovery, gathering of criminal evidence, and recovery of stolen property. The unit has also assisted the Coast Guard and the Department of Natural Resources in a wide range of activities. The unit responded to 75 calls for service in 2000. Of these requests, 30 were for



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evidence in homicide and assault crimes, larceny and breaking and entering crimes; body recovery accounted for 12 of the dives, and public relations and instruction accounted for another 23 of the service calls. There were 10 general assistance calls from the Coast Guard, Departments of Natural Resources, Transportation, and Environmental Quality.



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Emergency Support Team Unit

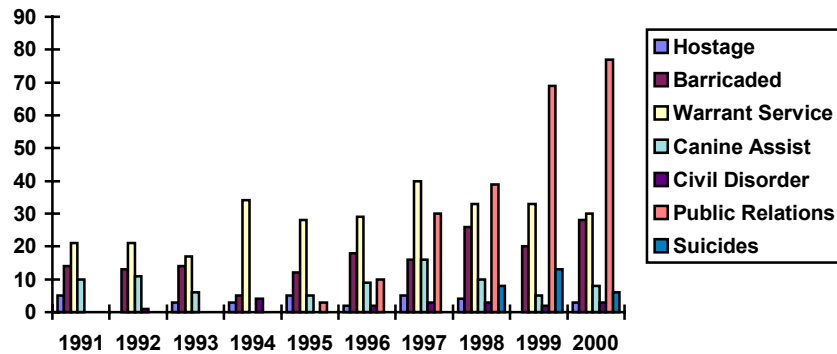


This unit utilizes equipment and training necessary for extremely difficult and/or dangerous tasks in such areas as hostage rescue, barricaded gunmen, high risk arrest and search warrant service, VIP security, and nuclear plant terrorism to assist federal, state, and local law enforcement. The unit also provides specialized training for department personnel and local law enforcement in the areas of civil disorder preparedness and raid entry tactics.



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The 2000 unit activity included 155 activations for service. These calls include 28 for barricaded gunmen, 30 for high risk warrant service, 3 for civil disturbances, 6 for suicide incidents, 8 as assistance to the Canine Unit, and 77 for public relations, critical incident and civil disorder training and workplace and school violence programs.



Canine Unit



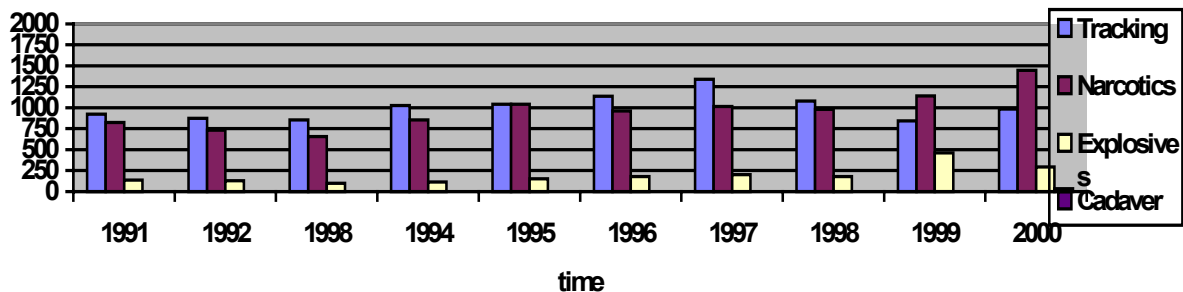
The Canine Unit provides narcotics, explosives and cadaver detection, in addition to tracking capabilities, tactical entry ability, and search and rescue coordination. They work closely with the Underwater Recovery Unit in underwater cadaver detection and the Emergency Support Unit in a number of areas such as tactical entry for barricaded gunmen, bomb



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detection in VIP and public assembly security and high-risk suspect tracking. They provide training for local law enforcement and specialized military units. They also provide narcotics detection for the Department of Corrections. The unit has capabilities in tracking, narcotics detection, explosive detection, cadaver detection, collapsed building searches, and crowd control. The unit has responsibilities for Michigan State Police in search and rescue operations.

The 2000 activity for this unit totaled 3,401 calls from the following areas: 986 calls for tracking, 1,444 calls for narcotic detection, 295 calls for explosive detection, 32 calls for cadaver detection, 286 public relations programs, and 357 calls for assistance in other areas.



MOTOR CARRIER DIVISION



During 2000, representatives from the Motor Carrier Division and the Michigan Department of Transportation collaborated in a strategic initiative to direct more resources from enforcement at fixed weigh stations to mobile enforcement. Motor carrier officers will



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continue to enforce criminal, traffic, size, and weight laws as they pertain to commercial motor vehicles primarily at port-of-entry weigh stations and on road patrol. Increased emphasis has also been placed on special transportation enforcement team operations which often consist of a group of officers working together at various locations such as rest areas conducting a temporary weight/inspection station operation.

Motor carrier officers also conduct inspections and investigations pertaining to the transportation of hazardous materials and conduct compliance audits (safety reviews) of motor carriers to ensure they are in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

Another important responsibility of the Motor Carrier Division is ensuring the safe transportation of Michigan's 850,000 school children through an annual comprehensive inspection of every private and public school bus and pupil transportation vehicle.

Commercial Vehicle Information Systems Network (CVISN) Project

Work continued on development of the CVISN project. CVISN will link commercial vehicle related databases from the State Police, Department of State, Department of Transportation, Department of Treasury, and Department of Consumer and Industry Services to facilitate data sharing, deployment of intelligent transportation systems, and provide one-stop credentialing for the trucking industry.

School Bus Inspection Program

Vehicle Safety Inspectors conducted comprehensive equipment safety inspections on 17,818 public and private school buses during the 1999-2000 school year; a 4% increase over the previous year. The number of buses passing inspection increased significantly from 78% the previous year to 84% in 2000. Correspondingly, the number of buses red-tagged during inspection decreased from 14.5% in 1999 to 10% in 2000.

Partnering with Michigan Department of Treasury

During the past year, the Motor Carrier Division has enhanced its enforcement efforts with respect to motor carriers operating vehicles with delinquent fuel tax accounts. Enforcement efforts involve removing a vehicle from operation until the Department of Treasury puts the account in good standing. This strategy has been successful in recouping previously unpaid taxes from numerous motor carriers.

The Motor Carrier Division has begun working with the Department of Treasury and the MSP Criminal Investigation Division to interdict the transportation of illegal tobacco products.

